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COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

Economic and Community Development (Vice-Chair)

Health and Human Needs

Parks, Energy and Environment

County Board Task Force on Economic Stimulus (Chair)

APPOINTMENTS

Milwaukee Public Library Board of Trustees

Milwaukee County Research Park Corporation

Dear Constituent,

My office budget basically allows for only one large mailing per year to constituents of the 1st District. The plan is to use this format to communicate more regularly and cost effectively with you via email and the district website. This is the second full-fledged issue of the 1st District e-Newsletter. If it proves to be popular, we will publish it more often.

In this issue, I highlight efforts to promote **economic development** in Milwaukee County, a new radio program "**Inside the County Board**", and fun events in our **Milwaukee County Parks**.

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SUPERVISOR LIPSCOMB GOES ON THE AIR

Inside the County Board airs the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 p.m. straight from the studios of News/Talk 1130 WISN radio in Milwaukee. The first and only program of its kind in the Milwaukee area, *Inside the County Board* gives listeners a more in-depth analysis of action taken by County Supervisors.

Supervisor Lipscomb is scheduled to appear on the Sunday, April 4, 2010 episode.

If you cannot listen live, shows are archived online at:

county.milwaukee.gov/InsidetheCountyBoard



INCREASING LOCAL ECONOMIC IMPACT

Supervisor Lipscomb authored legislation to help ensure that more dollars spent on public works projects stay in Milwaukee County. This resolution passed the County Board in March largely due to estimates that nearly two-thirds of every \$1 that Milwaukee County currently pays for construction labor is sent outside of Milwaukee County. With more than \$130 million in projects in the pipeline, there is a tremendous economic opportunity.

"We are faced with high unemployment in the County, but we continue to import labor and export our tax dollars." Supervisor Lipscomb said.

In 1996, the County Board adopted a resolution supporting a goal of 50 percent residency on County public works construction projects, but monitoring of the residency goal was suspended in 1998. The resolution by Supervisor Lipscomb establishes a workgroup to recommend ways to increase local resident participation in public works projects. There are many ideas and models from around the nation that will be considered by the workgroup.

County Executive Scott Walker estimates that his program to accelerate borrowing for public works projects, due to the many advantages of federal stimulus bonding programs, will yield an estimated 1,000 new jobs.

"But the fact remains that, unless we change our practices, 650 or more of these jobs will go to individuals who do not live in Milwaukee County," Supervisor Lipscomb added. "We cannot send the lion's share of the economic benefits to individuals in other counties. We cannot afford the status quo."

Take a Child Fishing

Free Clinics at local Milwaukee County Parks

Free Fishing Clinics for children ages 15 and under will take place on Saturday, April 10, 2010, from 9am to 3pm. The clinics begin every hour with the last clinic starting at 2 pm. Children ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

The clinics will occur at the following parks near the 1st District:

McGovern Park	5400 N. 51 Blvd. (wheelchair accessible)
Brown Deer Park	7835 N. Green Bay Rd.
Washington Park	1859 N. 40 th St.

Fishing equipment is available, but participants should bring their own rod and reel if possible. Everyone completing the clinic will receive a certificate and instructional handouts. Members of local fishing clubs will teach knot tying, safe use of equipment and proper fishing techniques.

The clinics are presented by the Milwaukee County Parks, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the Wisconsin Council of Sport Fishing Organizations and the Milwaukee County House of Correction Fish Hatchery. For more information, call the Milwaukee County Parks at 257-PARK (7275), or the DNR at (414) 263-8614.